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## Media Advisory

Local Students Get Recognized for Being Outstanding Safety Patrols at the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual School Safety Patrol Rally

When: Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

9:15 - Chief McManus will speak

Where: Lila Cockrell Theatre

200 E. Market St.

**Guest Speaker:** Sonny Melendrez

**Performing:** Alamo City Heat Band

Over 700 students will converge at the Lila Cockrell Theatre for the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual School Safety Patrol Rally. The San Antonio Police Department will honor these students and their schools for participating in the School Safety Patrol Program.

The School Safety Patrol Program has been around for over 6 decades and over the years thousands of children have saved countless lives by practicing safety at school crossings. These children that are involved in the program earn their badges and familiar safety belts by going through an intense safety course. They then are armed with their safety stop signs and stand guard at school crossing areas. They maintain passing grades and are considered role models for their fellow classmates.

Certificates and plaques, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of San Antonio, will be awareded to each participating school.

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